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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

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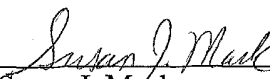
Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of three months, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of November 16, 1999 to May 16, 2000.

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